

A Penny for your Thoughts

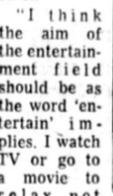
From now on until Academy Awards time in April different groups will be choosing their lists of "Bests" in the field of entertainment. With this in mind the Pennies Photographer asked several people: "Do you think there is too much or too little realism in motion pictures and television?"

Beth Barsley, 18422 Ermanita Ave.:



"As I understand, it seems to be the opinion of most experts that there is too much violence, especially in the movies. It's getting to a point where you take a chance taking your children to the movies. The only thing you can be sure of are Disney movies."

Lillian Adams, 18706 Cerise Ave.:



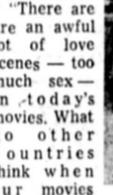
"I think the aim of the entertainment field should be as the word 'entertain' implies. I watch TV or go to a movie to relax, not watch something morbid. There is entirely too much trash being shown."

Nellie Kuska, 24201 Walnut St., Lomita:



"I would like it if there were more shows on TV and in the movies that both adults and children could enjoy, such as athletic events and news specials. Children see so much shooting in the movies that they don't realize the value of life anymore."

Sandy Souther, 350 Palos Verdes Blvd.:



"There are an awful lot of love scenes — too much sex — in today's movies. What do other countries think when our movies are shown there? I don't think teenagers should see too much of these kinds of movies."

Diana Gray, 4076 Bluff St.:



"I think there should be more comedy and musical pictures. Today's movies are trying to push teenagers into adult life. Movies for teenagers should be made more on our age level instead of push us like they are."

Junior Achievers Set Meet

More than 1,500 members of Junior Achievement companies from this and other Southern California communities will meet at 8:30 a.m. Saturday in the Los Angeles Trade Technical High School Auditorium, 400 W. Washington Blvd., for the 1965 Junior Achievement sales convention.

Sponsored by the Sales and Marketing Executives Assn. of Los Angeles, the annual event will feature exhibits of products from the Junior Achievement program, in which high school students operate small business ventures with adult guidance. Prizes will be awarded for the best product displays.

Speakers will include Tyler Macdonald, senior vice president of Hixson and Jorgensen, advertising, and Loren Greene, featured player on the TV program, "Bonanza."



EQUIPMENT CHECK . . . Mrs. Harry Raech, Mrs. Cy Bowen, and Alfred Schild check equipment which will be used when the Southwest Association for Retarded Children holds its biannual pancake breakfast Sunday. The breakfast, which will help support scholarship funds, is to be held at the Nativity Church annex.

Barber Shop Singers Install New Officers

Sterling Tallman of Torrance was installed last week as president of the South Bay Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America.

Tallman, a member of the organization for the past four years, sings with the Coastliners Quartet, which placed 11th in the society's international competitions last summer in Texas.

Other new officers, installed at the Redondo Beach Elks Club, include Robert Hogan, membership vice president; Miles Middough, program vice president; Robert Northup, secretary, and John McCabe, treasurer.

International vice president Reddie Wright of Pasadena served as installing officer.

The Sidewinders Quartet

of Riverside, current international champions, provided entertainment.



STERLING TALLMAN
New President

Breakfast Will Help Retarded

Southwest Association for Retarded Children will hold its biannual pancake breakfast Sunday at the Nativity annex, Engracia and Arlington avenues.

Tickets for the breakfast are 50 cents for both children and adults. Breakfast will be served from 7 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Alfred Schild, co-chairman of ways and means for the group, said a complete breakfast including sausages will be served.

All proceeds from the breakfast will be used to establish a scholarship fund to assist in tuition for the various habilitation services offered by the Southwest Association for Retarded Children.

Ann Landers Says

Advice to Cousins A New Can of Worms

Dear Readers: Well, I've done it again. Started a real donnybrook.

I've had complaints from science writers, beefs from physicians, bouquets from the geneticists, questions from non-professionals.

And I've heard from cousins by the dozens . . . Some damning me, others praising me.

It all started when I advised first cousins who had fallen in love to go ahead and marry. I said, "It is not true that first cousins produce half-witted children. Inheritable physical defects are likely to show up in an offspring when first cousins marry. However normally healthy people need have no fears."

After reading the excellent material sent by Dr. Eric Reiss, chairman of the division of medicine at Michael Reese Hospital and the Medical Center in Chicago (he's agin' such marriages), I was inclined to send a telegram to those first cousins and tell them not to ever LOOK at each other. His letter claimed that among children born to first cousin marriages the incidence of amaurotic idiocy, (mental deficiency associated with impaired vision or blindness), for example, is about 15 per cent.

Dr. James Crow, Professor of Medical Genetics and acting dean of the medical school of the University of Wisconsin wrote an equally convincing letter. He claims

first-cousin marriages are not particularly hazardous.

"The girl next door, who is no relation whatever, could have deleterious recessive genes," wrote Dr. Crow. "The chance of abnormal offspring when first cousins marry increases roughly from 2 per cent to 3 per cent — hardly worth worrying about."

AND THEN there is the other side again:

Dr. Samuel P. Bessman, Professor of Pediatric Research and Associate Professor of Biochemistry at the University of Maryland in Baltimore who wrote, "Please accept one bouquet of asafetida for your cow-eyed advice to the man contemplating marriage to a first cousin. Love does not conquer genetics, as Egyptian royalty, the Hawaiians, the Hapsburgs can attest. The likelihood that a first-cousin marriage will reveal genetic traits present in a family is very great."

A reader from Benton Harbor, Michigan wrote, "I married my first cousin and have six bright, healthy children. My brother married a girl he met in Europe, during the war. They have four of the nuttiest kids I ever saw."

A geneticist from Washington, D. C., wrote, "If cousins possess especially desirable traits — traits worth reproducing — a marriage between these two exceptional people would be desirable. This theory is basic in reproducing thoroughbred horses."

AS IF THIS wasn't enough I also heard from lawyers. In my advice to the first cousins I informed them that not all states permit first cousins to marry, so I suggested that if their state does not permit it, they should go to a state that does.

A Chicago attorney wrote, "Your advice suggests that the first cousins can go to another state, marry, and return to their home state and live happily ever after. Well, this is not the case. Their marriage could be considered null and void — in Illinois, for instance."

So . . . my advice to first cousins who are in love and want to marry is this: Look up a couple of doctors and a couple of lawyers, listen to them all, and then determine whose advice you are going to take.

THE BETTING BILLY GOAT: You lose on both counts. He is my first and only husband and he is not a physician.

Send the \$10 to CARE, 660 First Ave., New York. Your \$10 will buy 270 pounds of food — the best bargain in humanitarianism that I know of.

Liquor can ruin your mind, your body and your life. To learn the body-traps of teenage drinking, write for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "Teen-age Drinking," enclosing with your request 20 cents in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope. Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of this newspaper enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope. © 1965, Publisher Newspaper Syndicate



Top Salesmen Seeking Homes

What must be three of the Southland's top salesmen are asking today for a chance to find a home during the new year just begun.

On the left is Anthony, a 6-month-old lad with bright brown eyes, a smile that's catching, and an exceptionally alert child seeking a home.

Literally "crying out loud" for new parents is Johnny in the center. He has dark brown hair, fair complexion, and brown eyes. Johnny is 5 months old, really does have a smile, and dimples.

Looking bewildered by the fuss her pals are making is Linda. She's only 1 month old, has brown hair,

dark grey eyes, and also is looking for parents.

The trio is among the little ones waiting for a new home at the Holy Family Adoption Service. The agency is administered by the Sisters of Social Service under the direction of a lay board of directors.

Headquarters for the agency is 158 N. Occidental Blvd. in Los Angeles. Other agencies are located at 2360 Pacific Ave., Long Beach and in Santa Ana.

In addition to the search for adoptive parents, the Holy Family Adoption Service is seeking temporary foster care homes for additional infants ranging in age from a few days to several months.

Your Second Front Page

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Flood Victim Gets Help From Torrance Worker

A partially blind 85-year-old Indian woman whose home was swept away by the raging Klamath River became the first disaster victim in the northwest flood area to have her home restored by the Red Cross. Bryce Torrence, a Los Angeles Red Cross chapter official who resides at 22841 Adolph Ave., Torrance, presented the keys to a new mobile home to Mrs. Lulu Donnelly.

The Indian woman, who is unable to find even the lot on which her home was built, preferred a trailer so she could live near a relative. The new home was provided for her through the Red Cross long term recovery assistance given victims who lack adequate resources of their own.

TORRENCE, who left this city Christmas Eve, is one of

more than 300 disaster specialists from Red Cross chapters throughout the nation working in the area. One of six officials called from Los Angeles prior to the holidays, Paul G. Gillis, was killed near Happy Camp, Calif., Jan. 1.

RED CROSS has been on the job since mid-December to provide emergency shelter and food for more than 16,000 families driven from their homes by the floods. The Red Cross is now beginning the more costly job of helping the flood victims return to a normal life.

ALL RED CROSS aid, like the house trailer given Mrs. Donnelly, is an outright gift made possible through the support of the Red Cross.

About 75 per cent of every Red Cross "disaster dollar" is spent after the emergency period and is used to assist

victims in returning to their normal standards of living. Grants are made for the repair and rebuilding of homes, household furnishings, family maintenance, and occupational supplies and equipment.

RED CROSS expects to spend about \$5 million before the job of cleaning up is completed in the flood area. Although no special appeal has been made for funds to assist Red Cross officials in the flood area, Los Angeles area residents have contributed some \$7,000 to date.

One of the money orders came from a Torrance man and was accompanied by a note reading, "May God bless Red Cross people who give so unstintingly of themselves when disaster strikes." Gifts may be sent to any Red Cross office.

Honor Band Rehearsals Under Way

Rehearsals for a spring concert by the Torrance Unified School District Elementary Honor Orchestra and Honor Band are now being held at West High School.

The Honor Band, which includes 80 students selected from among the district's elementary bands, uses the West High music rooms each Wednesday afternoon.

The Honor Orchestra, a group of outstanding string players, uses the facility each Tuesday afternoon.

Bob Mathias Will Appear With Film

Bob Mathias will appear at the showing of the film, "The Bob Mathias Story," at the Torrance High School auditorium Friday at 7 p.m.

The film is sponsored by the Co-Recreation Clubs of Torrance and is open to all Co-Rec club and Flying "T" members and their parents.

There will be no charge for admission, but members of the two groups must present their membership cards at the door. Parents must be accompanied by a member.

Information about the program is available at the Torrance Recreation Department, FA 8-5310, extension 263.

COUNT MARCO SAYS

Beware of Cutting Room Floor

A play or a motion picture is a success because of the scenes created by the author or the director and carried out at their direction by the actors.

Unfortunately, far too many of our American wives produce and star in their own scenes. But not to give pleasure, merely to satisfy a selfish desire to get their own way.

The mere threat of a scene either in the privacy of your own home, or worse, in public, will cause the strongest-willed of men to cringe in immediate submission. The poor American husband, you see, embarrasses easily. That more husbands don't — to use a quaint old American expression — knock your block off as a deterrent to future scenes is an amazing commentary on the American way of life.

The following are some of the most common scenes you

dream up, and common indeed they are:

• The flood of tears act is the most abused. When you were a little girl it was understandable. From a supposedly grown woman it is disgusting and unsightly. Most men flee to dry ground without even attempting to swim against your current of self-pity.

• Tear-jerking in public is and mine. So worried is he that an even worse offense in his eyes viewers on the sidelines may think he's abusing you, he even grants you extra concessions, which you grab up quickly.

The most dreadful and successful of all scenes is that of the loud-voiced shrew who blasts an ill wind blowing up a terrible storm.

So far down the drain have you gone that you HOPE every

one in the neighborhood hears how terribly put-upon you are. Any husband who gives in to this type does so only because he probably has special plans to unload you at the first favorable opportunity. "Good riddance," says he — and I.

The bagpacker, who threatens to go home to Mother every time he denies her demands, plays with fire. The foul-language-user; the smasher-of-things; the lock-herself-behind-closed doors idiot, and the striker, who won't get out of bed, won't cook or perform other wifely services may win for the moment but lose in the end.

A word of warning, my dears: Many a scene has been cut from a play, and many a film actress has ended up on the cutting-room floor. Be careful that he doesn't follow suit and edit you out altogether.